

City of New Rochelle, N.Y.

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Adopted:

No. 42

Council Members Louis J. Trangucci,
Moved: Albert A. Tarantino, Jr., Jared R. Rice,
(and) Ivar Hyden, Barry R. Fertel,
Seconded: Shari B. Rackman and Mayor Noam Bramson

Dist	Member	Yeas	Nays	Abstain	Absent
1st	Trangucci	✓			
2nd	Tarantino	✓			
3rd	Rice	✓			
4th	Hyden	✓			
5th	Fertel	✓			
6th	Rackman	✓			
Mayor	Bramson	✓			

Approved As To Form:

Corporation Counsel

SUBJECT
OR
TITLE }

RESOLUTION ADOPTING "COMPLETE STREETS" AND
"SUSTAINABLE COMPLETE STREETS" POLICIES FOR
THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE.

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are defined as roadways that enable safe and convenient access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers of various types of vehicles, and riders of public transportation, of all ages and abilities, including children, seniors and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, "Sustainable Complete Streets" are defined as Complete Streets with elements of design, construction and operation that also serve environmental sustainability, including the retention of storm water through the use of permeable surfaces and landscaping elements such as street trees, planters, bioswales and rain gardens and, further, landscaping design features that curb storm water runoff also have been found to contribute to safer mobility; and

WHEREAS, promoting pedestrian, bicycle and public transportation travel as an alternative to the automobile reduces negative environmental impacts, reduces traffic congestion, promotes healthy living, and is less costly to the commuter; and

WHEREAS streets are crucial public spaces and comprise a large part of New Rochelle's total land area, and these street environments influence business opportunities, public welfare, shape resident, visitor and shopper experience and are a platform for community development; and

WHEREAS, many studies show that when roads are better designed for bicycling, walking and transit use, more people do so; and

WHEREAS, local focus on Complete Streets is compatible with New York State Complete Streets law, and 15 other municipalities within New York State, 25 other States (as well as Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia) and more than 200 regional and local jurisdictions now have Complete Streets policies; and

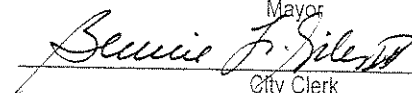
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20th day of March 20 12

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Mayor



City Clerk

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WHEREAS, Sustainable Complete Streets policies, also known as "green streets" or "living streets" have been adopted by numerous municipalities around the country, including New York City and the Town of Babylon, NY; and

WHEREAS, a Complete Streets policy and a Sustainable Complete Streets policy are consistent with GreeNR, New Rochelle's sustainability plan; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of New Rochelle, NY that the City of New Rochelle hereby recognizes the importance of creating Complete Streets that enable safe travel by all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers of various types of vehicles, and riders of public transportation, of all ages and abilities, including children, seniors and persons with disabilities; and be it further

RESOLVED that the City of New Rochelle hereby recognizes the importance of creating Sustainable Complete Streets that include elements of environmental sustainability, such as storm water control, in the design, construction and operation of its Complete Street Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED that the City of New Rochelle adopts a Complete Streets Policy and a Sustainable Complete Streets Policy whereby it shall consider these practices when planning roadway projects, including design, planning, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and maintenance (with the exclusion of minor repairs and routine maintenance), and when considering new development proposed for the City of New Rochelle in accordance with the Design Guidelines for Complete Streets and Sustainable Complete Streets (the "Design Guidelines") attached hereto as Appendix A; and be it further

RESOLVED that to ensure full consideration of the Design Guidelines, the Commissioner of the Department in charge of a project that includes roadwork shall submit a written explanation to the City Manager of the reasons for including or excluding each of the Design Guideline features in the construction of the roadway project.

Authenticated and certified) NOAM BRAMSON, Mayor
this 20th day of Mar., 2012) BENNIE F. GILES, III, City Clerk

Design Guidelines for Complete Streets and Sustainable Complete Streets	Y/N	Explanation
Pedestrian Facilities		
Sidewalk with ADA compliant curb ramps		
Signalized cross walk		
Marked crosswalk with signage		
Pedestrian detectors		
Audible signals		
Multi-use path physically separated from motor vehicle traffic		
No turn during red signs		
Safe and accessible public transportation stops		
Street furniture		
Other		
Bicycle Facilities		
Bike lanes and routes		
Shared lane markings/sharrows		
Bicycle signage		
Secure bicycle parking		
Multi-use path physically separated from motor vehicle traffic		
Other		
Traffic Calming Elements		
Landscaping, including street trees		
Narrower traffic lanes		
On-Street Car Parking		
Speed bumps		
Reduced speed limit		
Visual street markings such as different pavement type or color		
Other		
Sustainable Features		
Permeable pavement		
Porous pavers		
Bioswales		
Vegetative swales		
Rain gardens		
Curb gardens		
Sidewalk planters		
Planted median islands/vegetative strips		
Street trees		
Street tree pits and trenches		
Bumped out planters		
Other		